

## **Dispute Resolution Services**

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Residential Tenancy Branch
Office of Housing and Construction Standards

A matter regarding THE BLOOM GROUP NICHOLSON HOUSING SOCIETY and [tenant name suppressed to protect privacy]

## **DECISION**

<u>Dispute Codes</u> MNDCT OLC

## <u>Introduction</u>

This hearing dealt with the tenant's application pursuant to the *Residential Tenancy Act* (the *Act*) for:

- a monetary order for compensation for loss or money owed under the Act,
   regulation or tenancy agreement pursuant to section 67;
- authorization to recover his filing fee for this application from the landlord pursuant to section 72.

The tenant did not attend this hearing, although I left the teleconference hearing connection open until 1:40 p.m. in order to enable the tenant to call into this teleconference hearing scheduled for 1:30 p.m. The landlord's agent NB attended the hearing and was given a full opportunity to be heard, to present sworn testimony, to make submissions and to call witnesses. I confirmed that the correct call-in numbers and participant codes had been provided in the Notice of Hearing. During the hearing, I also confirmed that the landlord's agent and I were the only ones who had called into this teleconference.

Rule 7.3 of the Rules of Procedure provides as follows:

## 7.3 Consequences of not attending the hearing

If a party or their agent fails to attend the hearing, the arbitrator may conduct the dispute resolution hearing in the absence of that party, or dismiss the application, with or without leave to re-apply

Accordingly, in the absence of any submissions in this hearing I order the application dismissed with liberty to reapply. I make no findings on the merits of the matter. Liberty to reapply is not an extension of any applicable limitation period.

This decision is made on authority delegated to me by the Director of the Residential Tenancy Branch under Section 9.1(1) of the *Residential Tenancy Act*.

Dated: December 2, 2019

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